

- (b) twenty percent (20%) of the average monthly balance in the plaintiff's inmate trust

account for the prior six (6) months.

Thereafter, the custodian shall submit twenty percent (20%) of the plaintiff's preceding monthly income (or income credited to the plaintiff's trust account for the preceding month), but only when such monthly income exceeds ten dollars (\$10.00), until the full filing fee of three hundred fifty dollars (\$350.00) as authorized under 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a) has been paid to the Clerk of Court. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(2).

The plaintiff brings this action against David Sexton, Warden at MCCC, and three members of his staff, alleging that conditions of his confinement are unconstitutional.

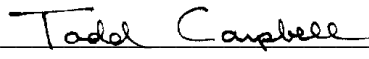
Venue for a civil rights action is governed by 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b). That provision requires that an action, such as the instant case, be brought only in (1) a judicial district where any defendant resides, if all defendants reside in the same state, (2) a judicial district in which a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claim occurred, or a substantial part of the property that is the subject of the action is situated, or (3) a judicial district in which the defendants are subject to personal jurisdiction at the time that the action is commenced, if there is no district in which the action may otherwise be brought.

In this case, the defendants reside in or around Morgan County. The plaintiff's claims arose at the Correctional Complex in Morgan County. Since Morgan County lies within the Eastern District of Tennessee, 28 U.S.C. § 123(a)(1), venue for this action properly belongs in that judicial district.

Accordingly, the Clerk is directed to TRANSFER this case to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee, Northern Division at Knoxville, Tennessee. 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a). The Clerk is further instructed to send a copy of this order to the Warden at MCCC to ensure that the custodian of the plaintiff's inmate trust account complies with that portion of the

Prison Litigation Reform Act relating to the payment of the filing fee.

It is so ORDERED.



Todd Campbell
United States District Judge